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SUBJECT: CHILE: MILGP REQUEST FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION AND COMBATING TERRORISM COURSE

REF: WILSON - GALVIN EMAIL 23MAR2007

- 11. This is an action request. See paragraphs 2 and 3.
- 12. Action request: Embassy requests the Department assist in conducting a Leahy Amendment Human Rights review, as well as a general name check, of the following Chilean candidates who have been nominated for training in the U.S., pursuant to the Leahy Act and Foreign Assistance Act. Please transmit the results of such, including information not strictly covered by the Leahy Amendment, to Embassy.
- 13. The proposed training is the Inter-Agency Coordination and Combating Terrorism Course, which will take place at the US Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies, in Washington D.C., June 4 22, 2007. The name and identifying information of the proposed candidates appear in the following format: Name, rank, unit, date of birth, place of birth and national identification number.
- a. Sebastian SILVA Costa, Civilian, National Intelligence Agency (ANI), 13 June 1970, Osaka, JAPAN, 9.899.935-3
- b. Robero F. WEBER Acuna, Retired naval officer, Chilean Navy, 17 August 1955, Talcahuano, CHILE, 6.837.926-1
- c. Carolina del Pilar SANCHO Hirane, Civilian, Academic Coordinator/Defense and Strategy Researcher, Institute of Public Affairs, University of Chile, 01 October 1975, Santiago, CHILE, 12.866.972-8
- d. Alvaro CASTILLO Morales, Major, Carabineros de Chile, 23 August 1962, Santiago, CHILE, 7.165.751-5
- $\P 4$ . Embassy's ongoing investigation has not found credible information that the candidates have been involved in gross human rights violations. KELLY